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SUBJECT: 30TH UNGA: ISRAEL EXPULSION ISSUE

REF: A. WARSAW 5262, B. WARSAW 5236

1. DURING A CALL AUGUST 13 ON VICE FOREIGN MINISTER SPASOWSKI, I REFERRED TO RECENT EXCHANGES ON THIS SUBJECT, INCLUDING THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S STATEMENT OF JULY 28 TO THE SECRETARY. I SAID I HAD BEEN READING WITH SOME CONCERN THE REPORTING AND COMMENTARY IN THE POLISH PRESS ON THE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS OF NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM AND OF SOUTH KOREA. READING THESE REPORTS HAD RAISED IN MY MIND IN AN ACUTE FORM THE QUESTION OF THE POSITION WHICH THE POLISH GOVERNMENT WOULD TAKE IF THE EXPULSION ORSUSPENSION OF ISRAEL SHOULD BECOME AN ISSUE IN THE 30TH UNGA. (I REFERRED TO THESE PRESS REPORTS AND COMMENTARIES, SINCE SOME OF THEM INTERPRET THE U.S. POSITION ON VIETNAM/KOREA AS PREPARATION FOR THE ISRAEL ISSUE AND SINCE I COULD NOT MENTION THE AUSTRALIAN REPORT-- REF A.)

2. I SAID I WAS THEREFORE GRATIFIED TO RECALL THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S FORTHRIGHT STATEMENT OF JULY 28 ON POLISH SUPPORT FOR THE PRINCIPLE OF UNIVERSALITY AND AGAINST EXPULSION. I WAS ALSO HAPPY THAT WE WERE DISCUSSING THIS SUBJECT AND WOULD PRESUMABLY CONTINUE TO DISCUSS IT, BOTH AT THE UN (REF B) AND HERE IN WARSAW, CONFIDENTIAL

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AS EVENTS DEVELOPED. IT SEEMED TO ME IMPORTANT THAT

EACH SIDE SHOULD BE INFORMED BEFORE THE FACT AS TO THE INTENTIONS OF THE OTHER.

3. SPASOWSKI SAID HE WAS VERY CONSCIOUS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SUBJECT I HAD REAISED. THE POLES WERE CERTAINLY DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN THEIR FIDELITY TO THE PRINCIPLE OF UNIVERSALITY. HOWEVER, THERE MIGHT BE VARIOUS DEVELOPMENTS AND IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO BE IN CLOSE TOUCH. DIRECTOR JAN KINAST OF DEPARTMENT III, WHO WAS PRESENT, SAID HE HAD BEEN TALKING WITH POLISH EXPERTS, WHO EXPECTED THAT, WHILE THE QUESTION OF THE EXPULSION OR, MORE LIKELY, SUSPENSION OF ISRAEL WOULD CERTAINLY BE RAISED AND DEBATED AT THE 30TH UNGA, IT WOULD NEVER COME TO A VOTE BECAUSE OF THE EXISTENCE OF DIFFERING POINTS OF VIEW AMONG THE NON-ALIGNED STATES. SPASOWSKI SAID WE COULD CERTAINLY ALL HOPE THAT THE EXPERTS WOULD BE PROVEN CORRECT; THEY HAD ALSO BEEN WRONG ON OCCASION IN THE PAST.

4. SPASOWSKI SAID THAT HE WOULD MAKE A POINT OF SEEING TO IT THAT AMBASSADOR JAROSZEK WAS INSTRUCTED TO DISCUSS THIS QUESTION IN PARTICULAR WITH THE U.S. PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE U.N.
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